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1. Development:

Only a pump station of the Ploesti-Cernavoda-Constanta pipe line with two small tanks existed in Cernavoda. Numerous additional tanks were constructed between 1946 and 1948, the pump station was reconditioned and a new refinery with two buildings established in 1947 and 1948.

2. Location:

The plant is on the right of the Danube River about 60 meters from its bank, about 200 meters northeast (downstream) of the large railroad bridge (by which also the pipe line crosses the Danube River), and about 600 meters north of the Cernavoda railroad station.

3. Buildings, units and installations:

The old pumping installations were reconditioned and modernized between the Fall of 1947 and the Spring of 1948. A new refinery with two buildings was constructed at the same time. All construction work was completed in the Spring of 1948.

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Installations (see also annex):

- 1 and 2: The two buildings of the new-established refinery.
- 3 and 4: The two pump houses which, compared with their previous extent, were considerably enlarged as the old pumps were insufficient.

Only the two 1,200- cu.m. "a" and "b" tanks existed in 1943. Another 12 tanks were installed between 1946 and 1948.
 "c"-tank: In the northeast corner of the plant area, of 5,000-cu.m. capacity.
 "d", "e", "f": Three 3,000-cu.m. tanks.
 "g", "h": Two 2,300-cu.m. tanks.
 "i", "k", "l", "m", "n", "o": Six 2,000-cu.m. tanks.

4. A 400-m ton landing-pontoon where Danube vessels of any type can

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land, was anchored in the Danube in front of the refinery. Tankers of a capacity of less than 2,000 m tons can also land and be loaded there.

Comment:

a. The reported pump station belongs to the Laicoi-Buzau-Cernavoda-Constanta pipe line*. It is at one of the most vulnerable sections of the pipe line as it crosses the Danube River there via the large railroad bridge of the Bucharest-Laurei-Petesti-Cernavoda-Constanta railroad line. The pump station is about 239 km from the Laicoi station, starting point of the pipe line, and about 61 km from the Constanta terminal.

b. So far no information is available on the rate of production of the new-constructed Cernavoda oil refinery.

1 Annex: Blueprint, Oil Refinery and Pumping Station in Cernavoda.

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